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## Reassessment Survey November 2002

The Department recently tabulated the results of a survey of county assessors on the progress of the 2002 reassessment. The survey was conducted in November 2002. The survey shows steady progress in most counties toward the completion of the reassessment.

In summary, as of November 2002, assessors in 74 counties had reviewed and approved land values, and the rest expected to have their land values done by January 2003. 81 counties were nearly done with their data collection on residential and ag, 71 on their commercial and industrial.

Data entry and completion of the assessment work, however, are behind schedule in large part because of software issues. While 86 had their county system software installed, 2 did not know when they would get it installed.

60 counties reported that their system software was fully operational. 16 reported that they did not know when their system would be operational. We believe that now that two of the major software providers have had their software certified at the state level, these counties will have a better idea in the next survey regarding when they will be operational.

We are aware of only one county has sent out form 11s as of January 2003. Eight reported that they intended to have form 11s out by the end of January 2003.

A total of 30 expect to have Form 11s out by end of March 2003.

An additional 14 expect to have Form 11s out by end of April 2003.

An additional 25, for a total of 69, report they will have Form 11s out by end of July 2003.

That leaves 23, including Lake County, which the state is reassessing, that did not expect to have Form 11s out until August 2003 or later. Many of these counties, we believe, did not have computer systems certified as of November 2002.

We ask counties' support and assistance in providing feedback on the survey we will be sending out this month. It will be an abbreviated one in order that we can get a faster turnaround. Thanks to all the assessors and field staff that assisted in getting this information together and to our assessment division and data analysis division staff for compiling the data.